

**Amendments to the Claims:**

The following Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims**

1. (Currently Amended) A separating layer carrier comprising a laminar substrate and a separating layer applied thereon, wherein the carrier comprises a relief structure with raised sections forming substantially complementary channels in a layer of adhesive, through which air trapped during adhesion can escape, characterized in that the relief structure is provided, at least in part, by an imprint of a printing material in a pattern on the substrate and the raised sections of the relief structure comprise the printing material.
2. (Original) The separating layer carrier according to claim 1, wherein the substrate (10) comprises paper.
3. (Original) The separating layer carrier according to claim 2, wherein the substrate comprises coated paper.
4. (Original) The separating layer carrier according to claim 2, wherein the substrate comprises paper coated with plastic.
5. (Original) The separating layer carrier according to claim 1, wherein the substrate comprises plastic film.
6. (Original) The separating layer carrier according to claim 5, wherein the substrate comprises plastic film coated with plastic.
7. (Original) The separating layer carrier according to claim 1 wherein the separating layer is imprinted on the substrate with the relief structure covering the entire surface.

8. (Previously Presented) The separating layer carrier according to claim 1 wherein the relief structure is a regular polygonal structure comprising polygons having between four and eight corners.

9. (Original) The separating layer carrier according to claim 1 wherein the relief structure is an irregular polygonal structure comprising stochastically shaped and distributed corner-joined polygons having between four and seven corners.

10. (Original) The separating layer carrier according to claim 1 wherein the relief structure comprises sections having a width of from 50  $\mu\text{m}$  to 200  $\mu\text{m}$  and a height of from 5  $\mu\text{m}$  to 40  $\mu\text{m}$ .

11. (Previously Presented) The separating layer carrier according to claim 8 wherein each polygon covers an area of from 0.5  $\text{mm}^2$  to 3  $\text{mm}^2$ .

12. (Original) A self-adhesive material comprising a separating layer carrier according to claim 1.

13. (Currently Amended) The separating layer carrier according to claim 8 wherein the relief structure is a rhombuses or regular hexagon.

14. (Previously Presented) The separating layer of claim 1 wherein the printing material comprises printing inks modified with silicone.